

Appl. No. 10/028,952

Amdt. dated February 18, 2004

Reply to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of February 9, 2004

REMARKS**Pending Claims:**

Claim 11 has been amended, and claim 16 has been added. Claims 11-16 are pending in this application.

Conclusion:

Applicant asserts the claims are in condition for allowance. Early notice of such allowance is solicited.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney for clarification of any of these Remarks or Amendments, or to otherwise speed prosecution of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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